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Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

**REMARKS**

The Applicant has received and reviewed the Office Action dated December 14, 2004 wherein the Office rejected claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite; rejected claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the reference of Peterson (U.S. Patent No. 3,361,269) in view of the reference of Cope et al. (U.S. Patent No. 3,731,914) or Danneker (U.S. Patent No. 5,983,059); further rejected claim 9 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the reference of Peterson in view of Cope et al., and further in view of the reference of Cotter (U.S. Patent No. 5,480,128); and rejected claims 11-18 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over